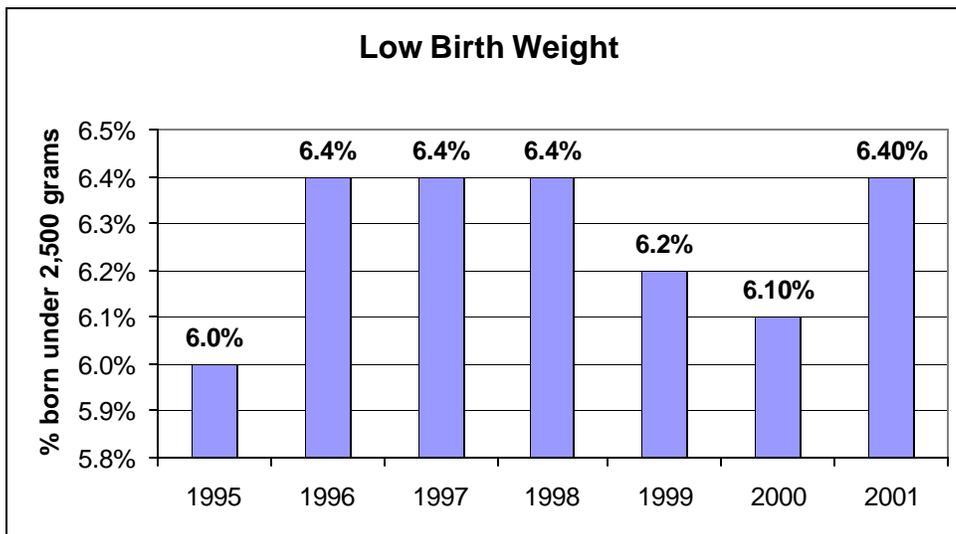


State Results and Indicators

Healthy Children

To learn and grow at optimal rates, children need to be healthy. Community Empowerment supports a variety of activities to make health services available to pregnant women, infants and young children. Communities have implemented services to identify health and developmental problems early when interventions can be more effective. Home visitation, prenatal care and well baby exams including immunizations and lead screens, and parent education have been expanded through Community Empowerment.



According to the Kaiser Family Foundation's State Health Facts online, using the latest state-level data, Iowa was ranked for childhood immunization, low birth weight and prenatal care:

10th best for the percent of children 19-35 months who are immunized (2002)
 10th best for the percent of low birth weight infants (2001)
 6th best for the percent of mothers beginning prenatal care in the first trimester (2001)

